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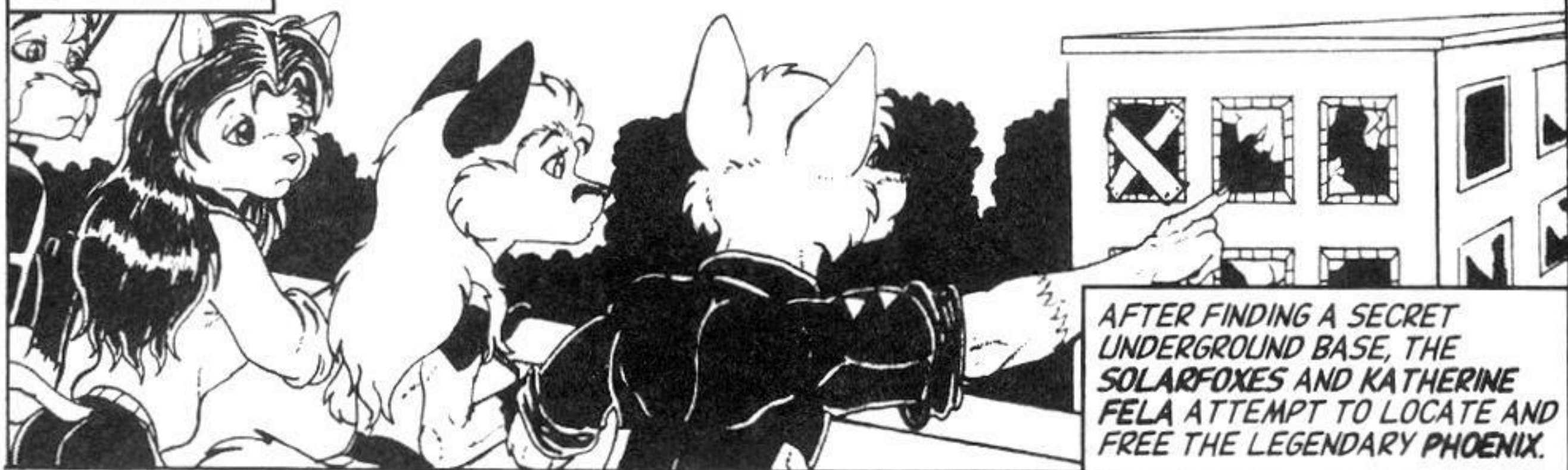
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— VOLUME 2



FISHER!

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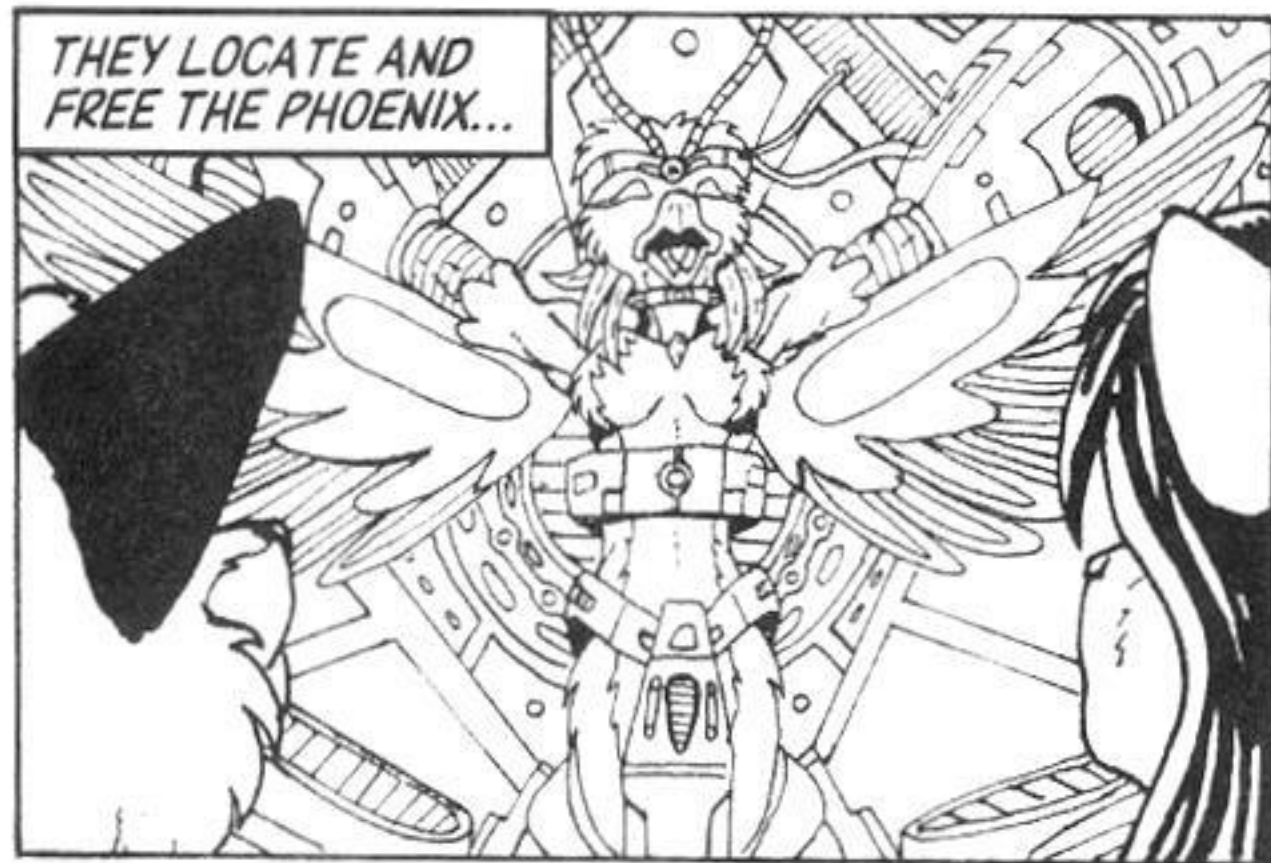
AFTER FINDING A SECRET UNDERGROUND BASE, THE SOLARFOXES AND KATHERINE FELA ATTEMPT TO LOCATE AND FREE THE LEGENDARY PHOENIX.



WHILE IN THE PROCESS OF SNEAKING-IN, THEY ARE DISCOVERED BY ROBOTIC GUARDS.

KATHERINE AND ERICA STARFOX SET OUT TO COMPLETE THE MISSION WHILE THE OTHERS RUN INTERFERENCE.

THEY LOCATE AND FREE THE PHOENIX...



UPON ESCAPING THE DEADLY DUO, ERICA IS SHOT BY ONE OF THE ROBOT GUARDS.



NOW THE STORY CONTINUES.



... ONLY TO FALL INTO A TRAP BY WARFARE AND BAJER BLAQUESTYPE.



FOXY?!?

OH, NO!

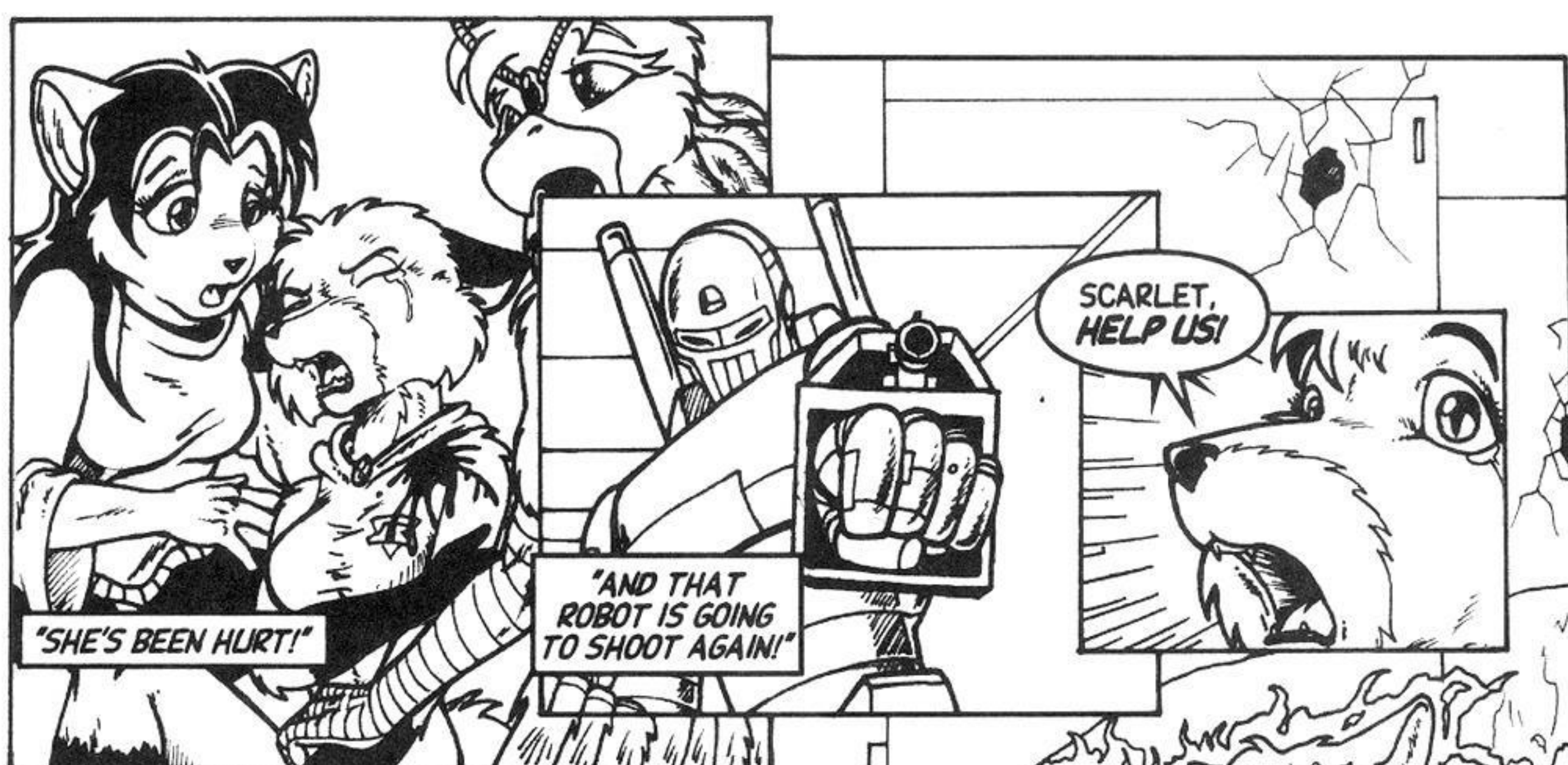
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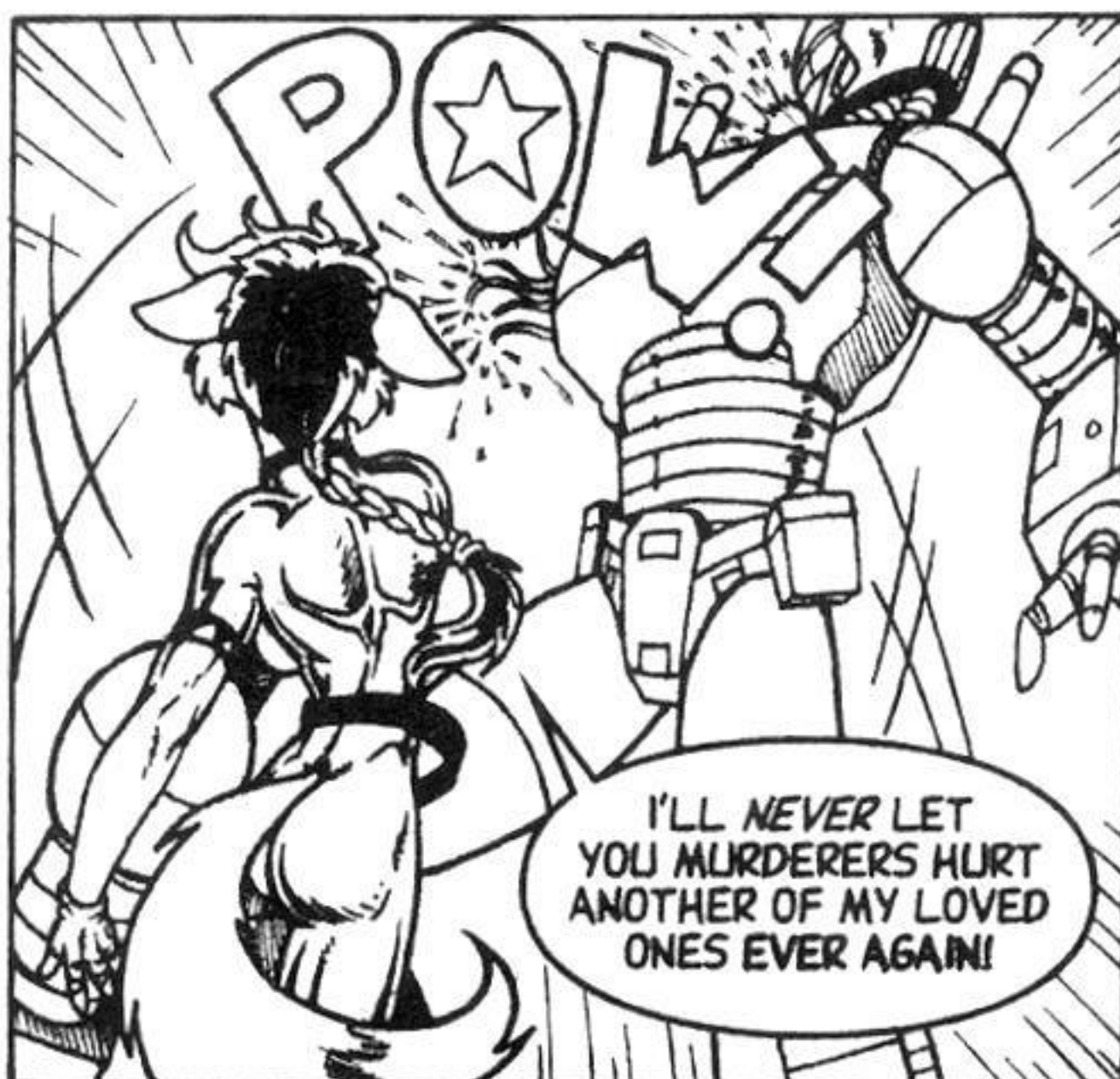
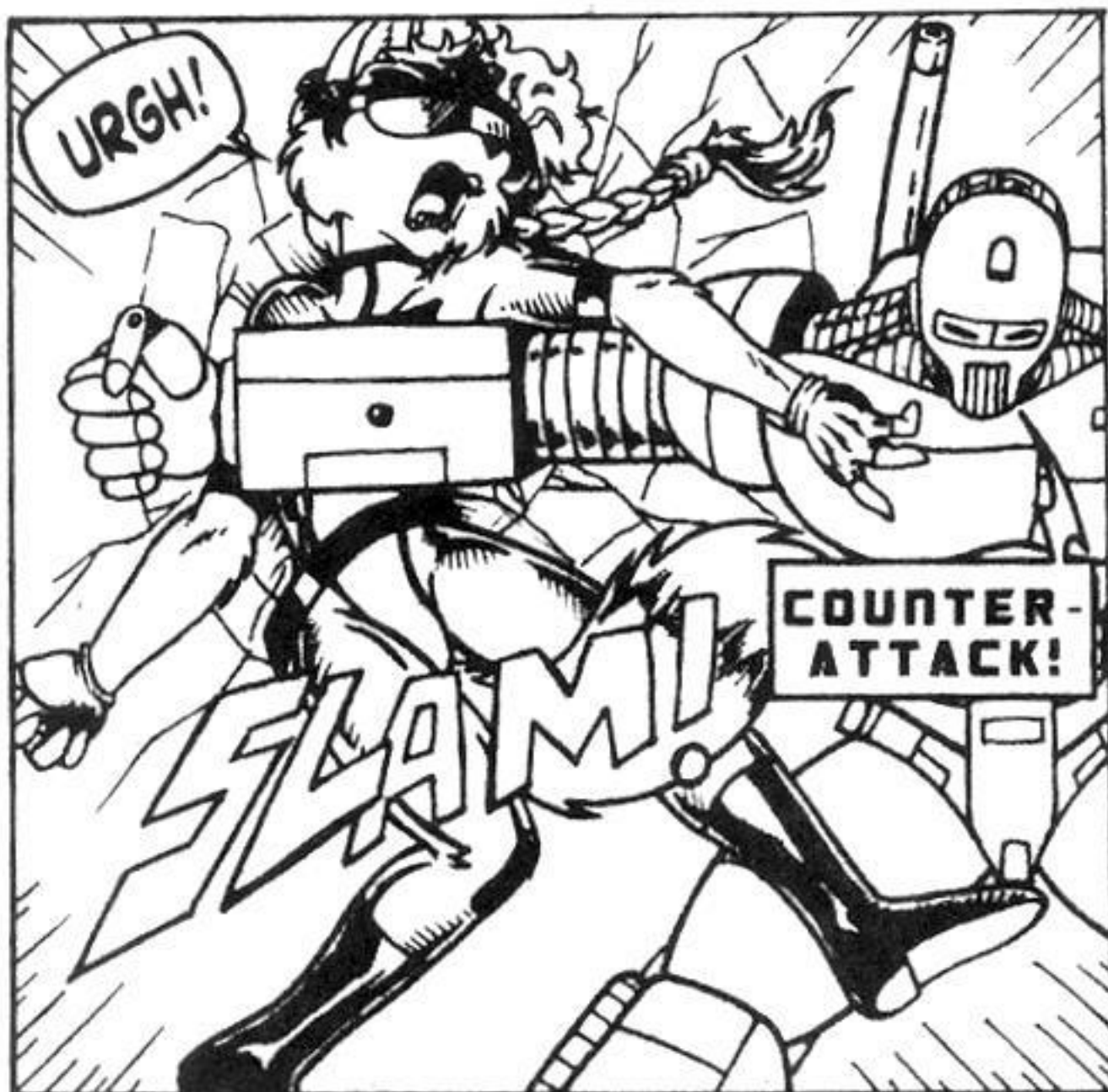
PART THREE

STORY & ART BY SHAWNTAE HOWARD

INKS BY MALCOLM EARLE &
SHAWNTAE HOWARD

LETTERING BY *Fender*







ERICA!
IS SHE ALL RIGHT?

SHE TOOK A LASER TO THE
ARM AND LOST A LOT OF BLOOD.
BUT WE'VE GOTTEN THE
BLEEDING TO STOP.



WE HAVE TO GET HER
OUT OF-- AH!

BOOM!



=GASP=

THE OTHERS!

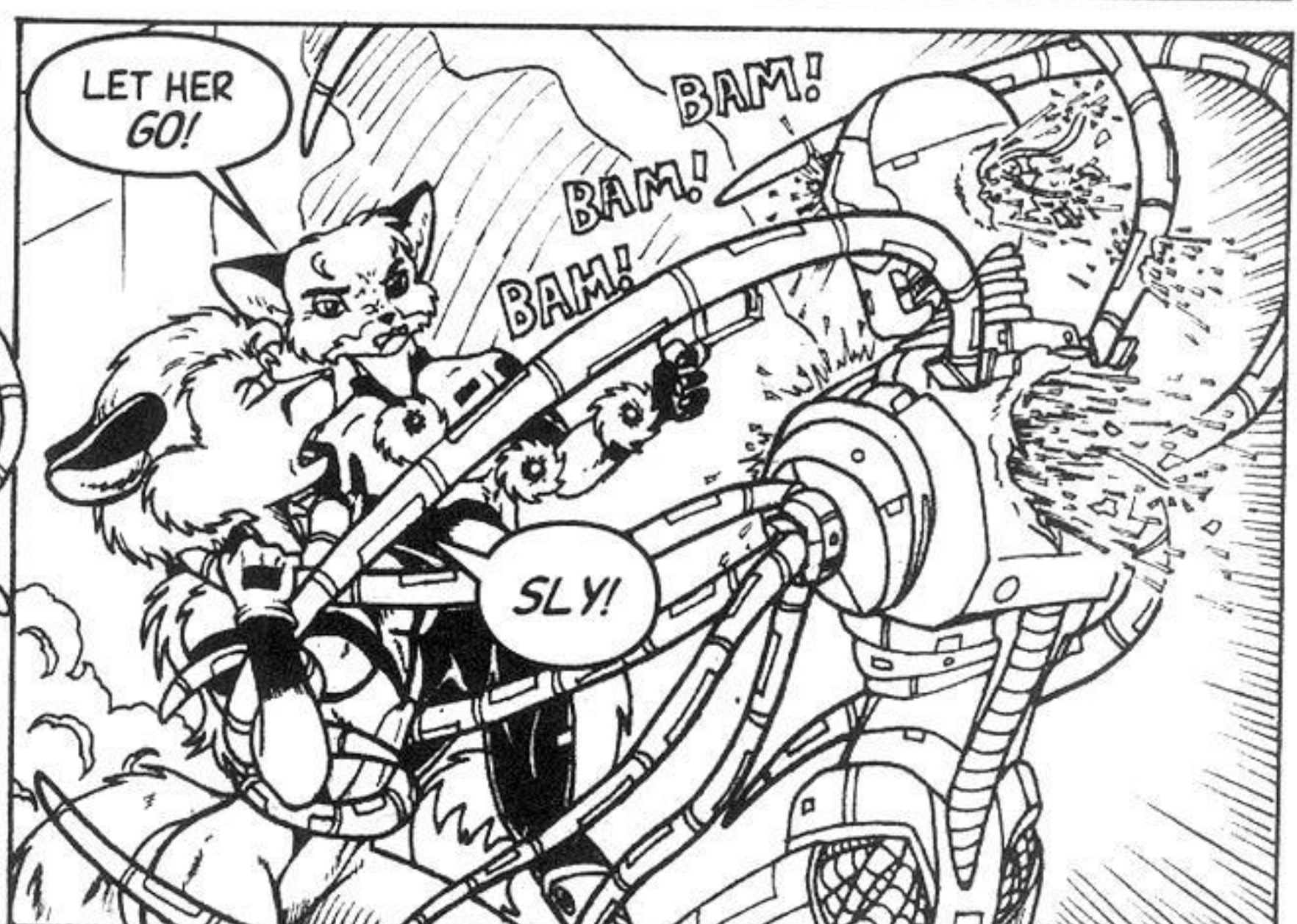
THIS IS CRAZY!
WE'RE, LIKE,
COMPLETELY
OUTNUMBERED!
WE HAVE TO GET
OUT OF HERE!

ARTICA,
LOOK OUT!



GAK!

S-SOMEBODY
HELP!



LET HER
GO!

BAM!

BAM!

BAM!

SLY!



PHOENIX GATE!

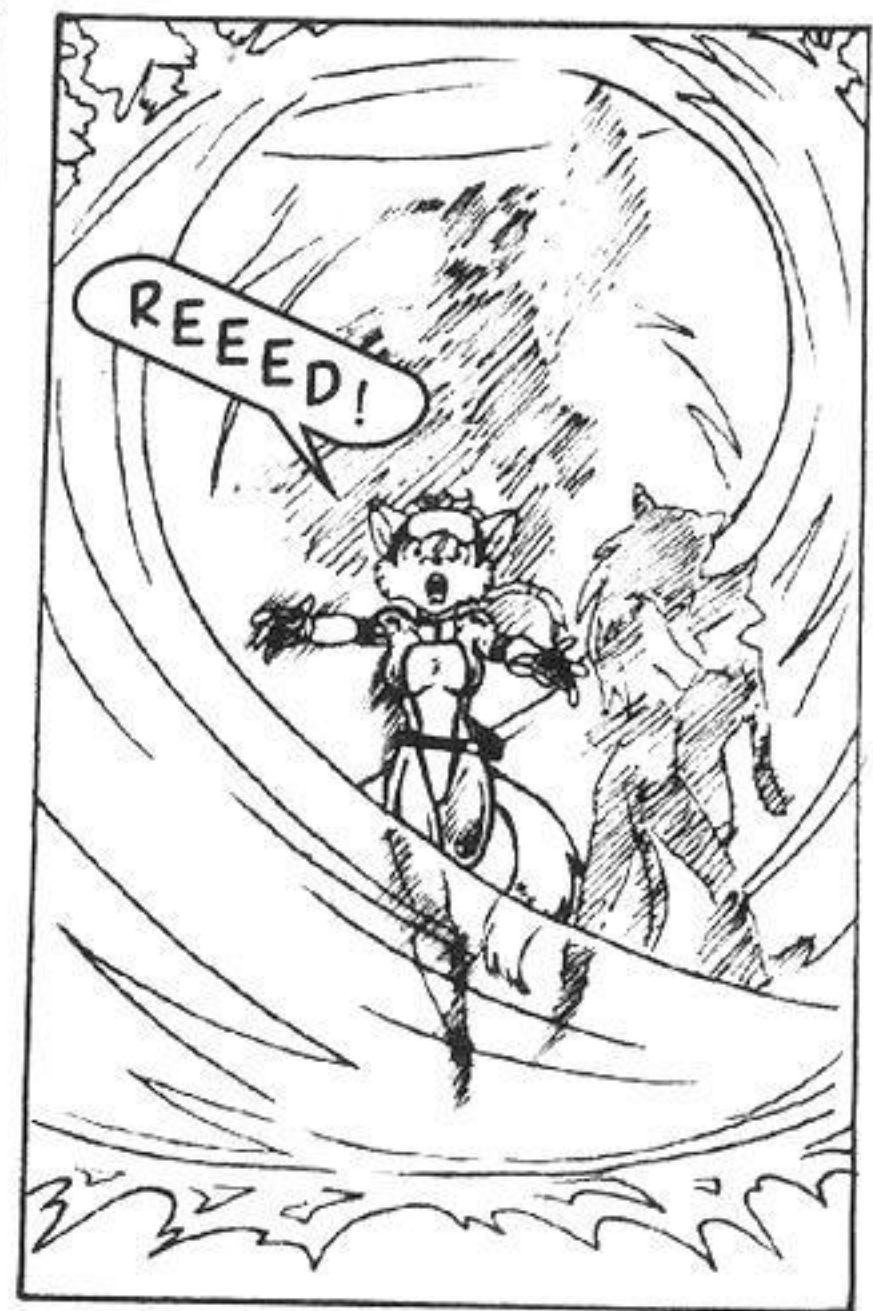
NOT ENOUGH
POWER FOR ALL
OF US.

I HAVE TO
TAKE WHAT
I CAN.

NO,
WAIT!

RED AND THE
OTHERS AREN'T CLOSE
ENOUGH!







MEANWHILE, IN THE
AILARTSUA OUTBACK-

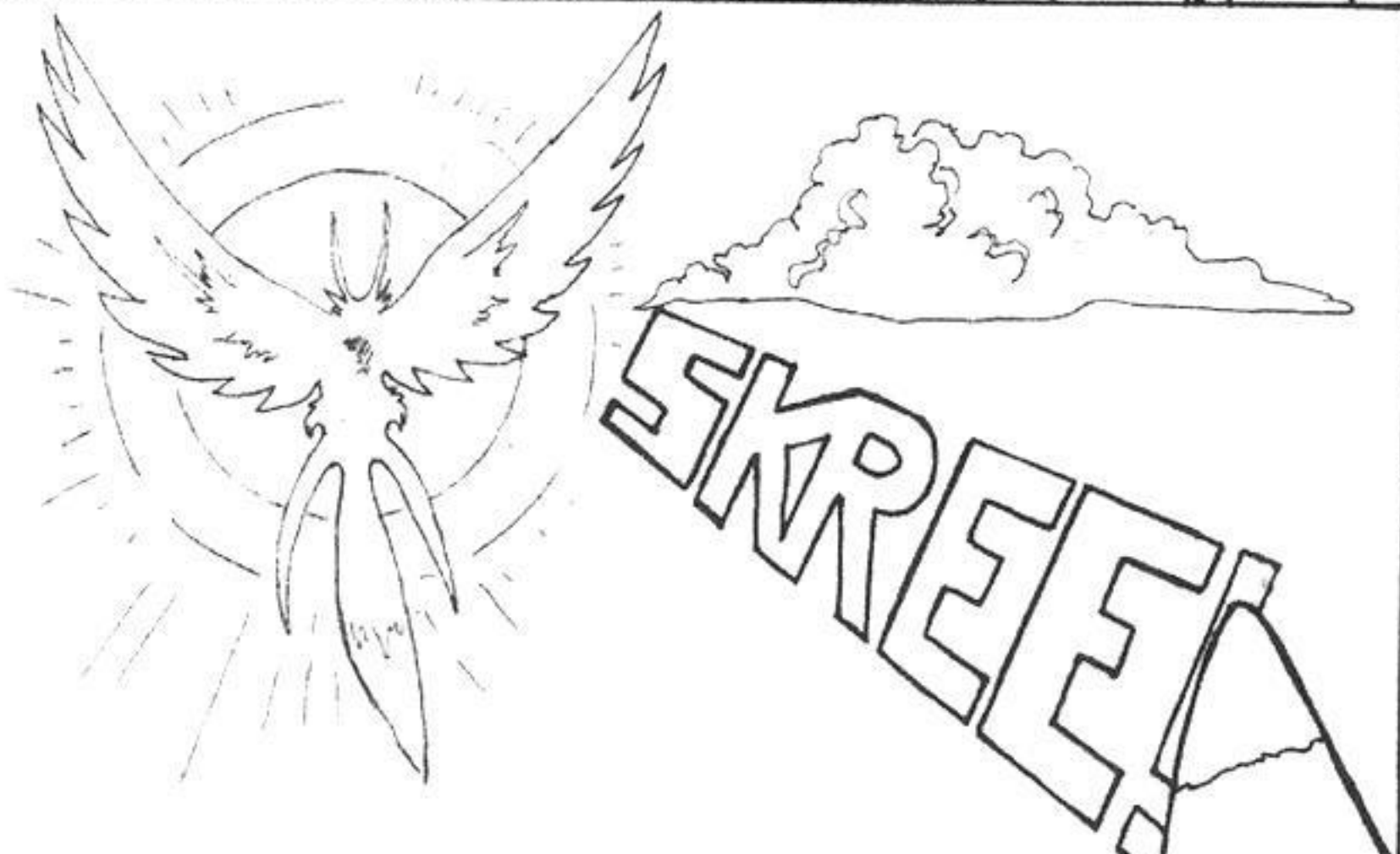
COME ON,
SLOWPOKE.

HONESTLY LUV,
YOU'RE LETTING
YOURSELF GET
OUT OF SHAPE!

YOU'VE SPENT
TOO MUCH TIME
PLAYING WITH
YOUR MACHINES.

I'M IN
GOOD SHAPE,
TISHA.

I JUST HATE
HIKING.





COME ON, TISHA, I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THIS.

I MEAN, WE'VE GOT TIMOTHY WITH US, AND ...

OH, STOP WORRYING, THOMAS. LIVE A LITTLE. YOU KNOW HOW I LIKE ADVENTURE!

YEAH, AND THAT'S WHAT I'M WORRYING ABOUT. YOUR ADVENTURES NEARLY GET US KILLED!



WHOA! I DON'T BELIEVE IT!

WELL I'LL BE ...

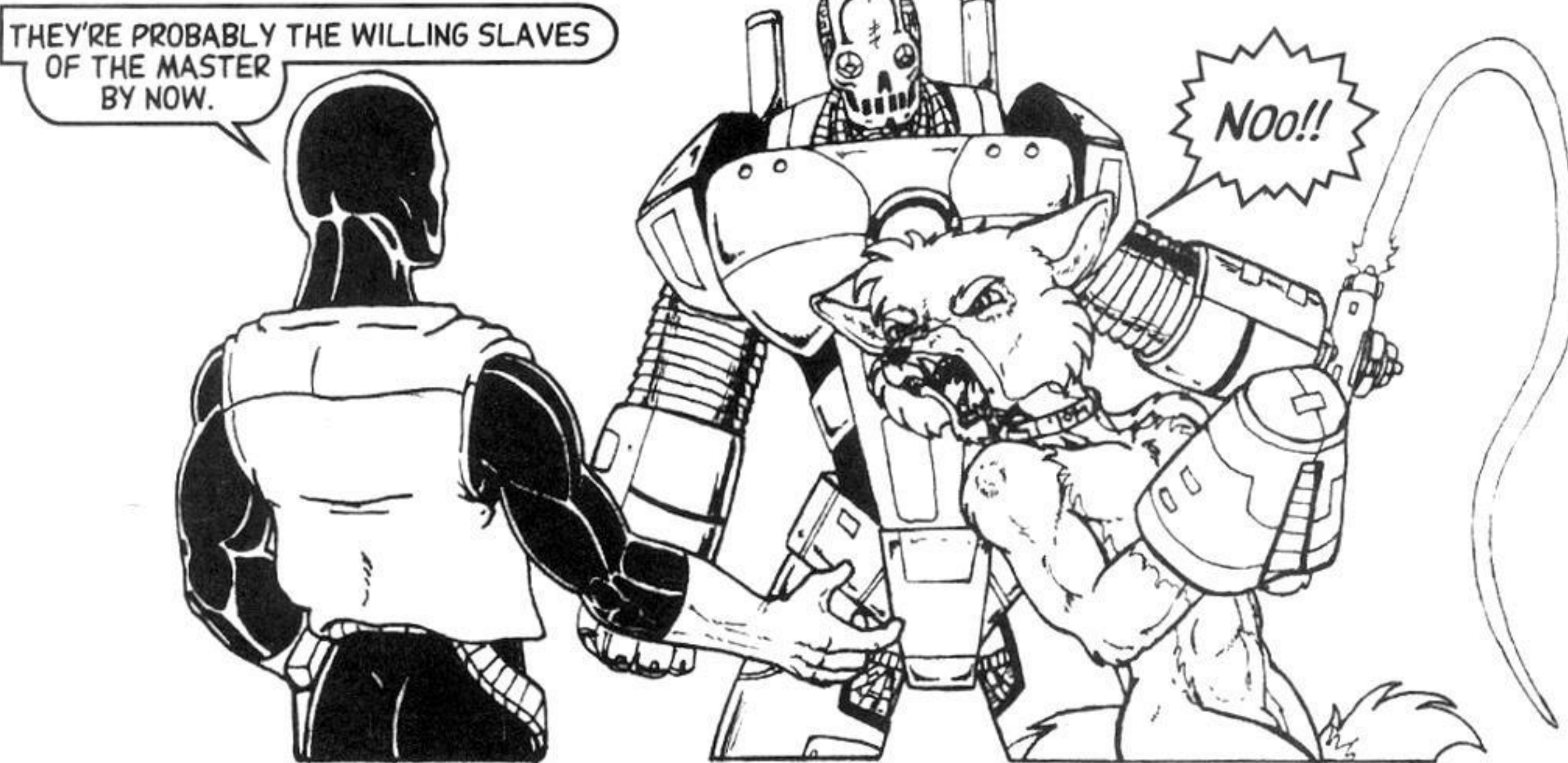
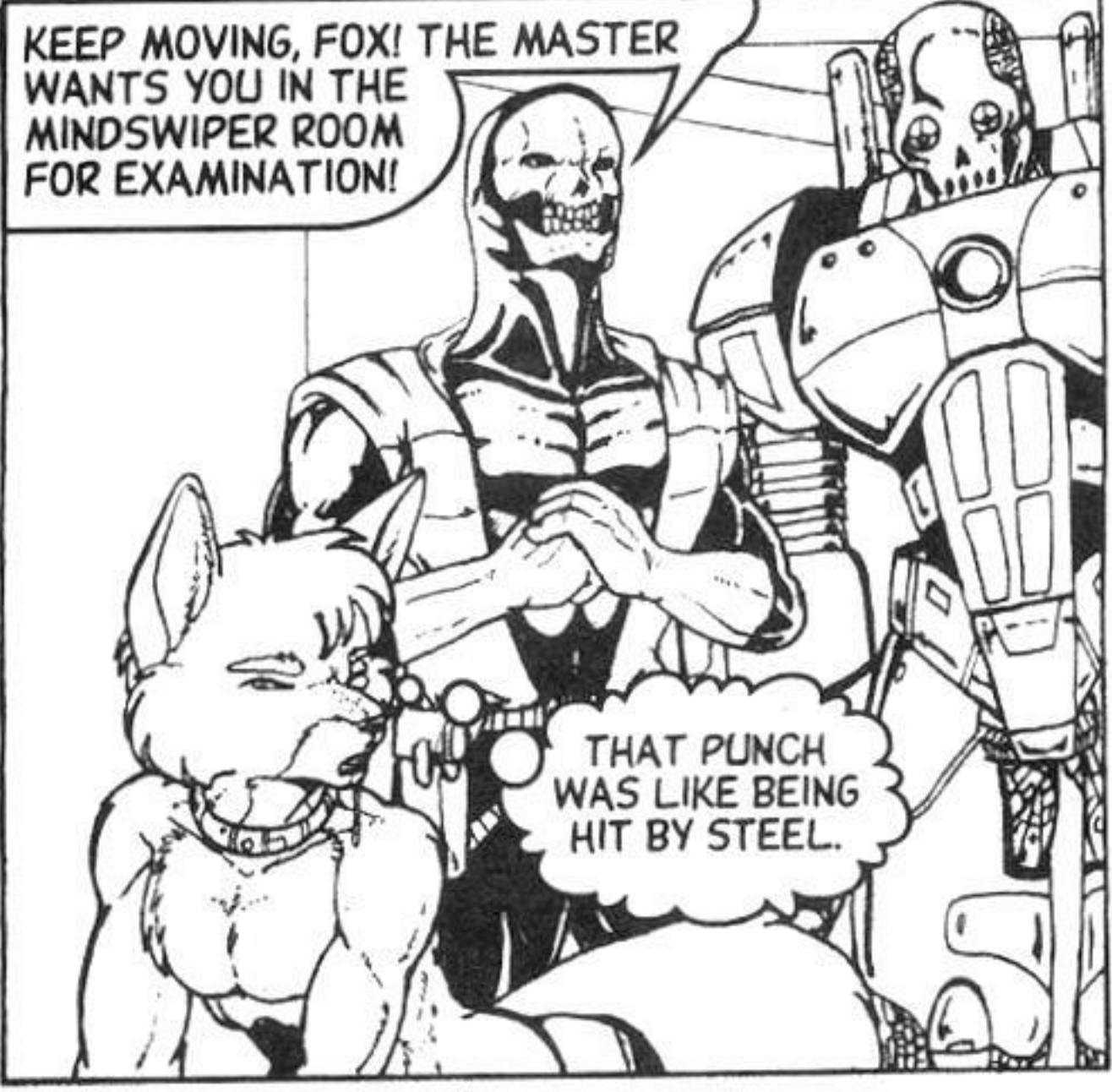
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THOMAS! TISHA!

HEH, GOOD TO SEE YOU AGAIN! MIND IF WE STOP BY FOR A VISIT?

I JUST FLEW IN FROM THE STATES, AND BOY, ARE MY ARMS TIRED!



WATCH WHO YOU'RE BARKING AT, DOG!

AAAH!

I CAN'T STAND TO WATCH THIS ANYMORE. BUT WE'LL GET CAUGHT!

"I DON'T CARE! HE NEEDS US!"

HAH,
THAT'LL
TEACH--

WHAT'S
THAT?

KIEYA!

YOU'LL PAY
FOR YOUR CRIMES,
MONSTER!

PANDORA,
BE
CAREFUL.





THEN I WON'T GIVE YOU THE CHANCE, CREEP.

AND WE'LL STOP YOU ALL!



CRACK!



BESIDES ...

YOUR LIFE ISN'T WORTH TAKING.

THUD!



ARE YOU OKAY?

WE ESCAPED DURING THE POWER OUTAGE AND WERE LOOKING FOR A WAY OUT WHEN WE SAW YOU.

THANK YOU. I'M RED FIREFOX. MY FRIENDS AND I WERE CAPTURED YESTERDAY.

CAN YOU HELP ME FIND THEM?

CLICK

I'LL TAKE OFF YOUR RESTRAINING COLLAR.

I'M PANDORA LEE AND SHE'S CEE CEE REESE. WE'LL HELP YOU. WE CAN ALL ESCAPE.



ARRR! MY POWER HAS RETURNED-- HARD TO CONTROL WITHOUT MY BELT.



WE'D BETTER HURRY AND GET OUT OF HERE. BUT I HAVE TO CHECK SOMETHING FIRST.

WHAT?

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JUST WHAT I THOUGHT--THEY'RE CYBORGS. ARE THEY REALLY THE MAKERS?

AND WHAT DID HE MEAN BY "RETAKE" ALDEN?

HYBRIDS, PREPARE FOR TERMINATION.

UH-HO





DON'T!
WHAT
ARE
YOU
DOING?

TEACHING THIS STRAY
SOME RESPECT.



THANKS TO HER,
I'VE LOST THE
ONLY TOD I'VE
EVER LOVED!

YOU, YOU, YOU!



IT'S ALWAYS ABOUT YOU!
WELL, GUESS WHAT! YOU'RE NOT
THE ONLY ONE WHO HAS LOST!

AND I'M
NOT GOING TO
BE BULLIED
ANYMORE!



AT LEAST YOU STILL
HAVE YOUR SISTER-
LOVED ONES!

ALL BUT
MY SISTER ARE
DEAD!

AND SHE
MIGHT BE DEAD TOO!
AND MY MAX!



EVER SINCE I
MET YOU, THINGS
HAVE GONE FROM
BAD TO WORSE!

IT'S NOT
MY
FAULT!



WHOA!
BACK OFF, GIRLS!
VENT THOSE
MAMMALIAN
FRUSTRATIONS
SOME OTHER
TIME!

GEEZ!




I MEAN REALLY.

I LEAVE YOU TWO ALONE
LONG ENOUGH TO RECHARGE
MY POWERS AND THINK OF A
PLAN TO SAVE THE OTHERS
AND WHAT DO YOU DO?

YOU FIGHT
IN OUR HOST'S HOME
LIKE YOU'RE ON THE
HARRY SPRINGHARE
SHOW!





IF YOU'RE
GOING TO BE
HEROINES...

THEN YOU
HAVE TO LOOK
THE PART!




WOW, PHENIX, THIS
FEELS GREAT! IT'S
LIKE WEARING AIR.

I CAN
EVEN *FEEL* THE
AIR AGAINST MY
FUR!

YEAH--AND
WITH AS LITTLE
MODESTY AS
WELL.

I FEEL
NAKED.



AND
WHAT'S WITH THE
SYMBOL?

HEY--WITH WHAT
WE'RE UP AGAINST, WE
MIGHT AS WELL
LOOK GOOD!

THOSE DUDS WILL
ACT AS THIN ARMOR,
EVEN THOUGH THEY'RE
LIGHT ENOUGH TO GIVE
YOU A FEELING OF
TOTAL FREEDOM.

THE SYMBOL IS THE
SIGN OF THE PHOENIX,
THE EMBODIMENT OF
HOPE AND LIFE.



HERE YA GO, LADIES.

THESE BRACELETS CONTAIN A SMALL COMMUNICATOR AND TRACKING SYSTEM. THAT SHOULD HELP A LITTLE AGAINST THOSE OTHERWORLDERS.

GREAT!
WE CAN USE ALL THE HELP WE CAN GET!

THIS IS THOMAS BUSHTAIL, HIS MATE TISHA, AND THEIR SON TIMMY. THOMAS SAYS HE CAN OFFER US BACKUP AGAINST OUR FOES.

DON'T WORRY, I'LL GET SOME OF MY MATES TOGETHER AN' WE'LL SHOW THEM A THING OR TWO.



YES, IT'LL TAKE A LITTLE TIME, BUT WE'LL BE THERE WITHOUT A DOUBT.



COOL.

WELL, SIS, YOU'RE IN NO SHAPE TO COME WITH US. YOU HAVE TO STAY BEHIND.

BUT SCARLET!

ERICA!



LOOK, WE DON'T HAVE TO LIKE EACH OTHER BUT WE DO HAVE TO WORK TOGETHER TO PULL THIS OFF.

SO WHAT DO YOU SAY, ALLEY-CAT -- TRUCE?

=sigh=

OKAY, STARFOX--TRUCE.

OKAY, PHENIX.

LET'S GO KICK SOME TAIL!





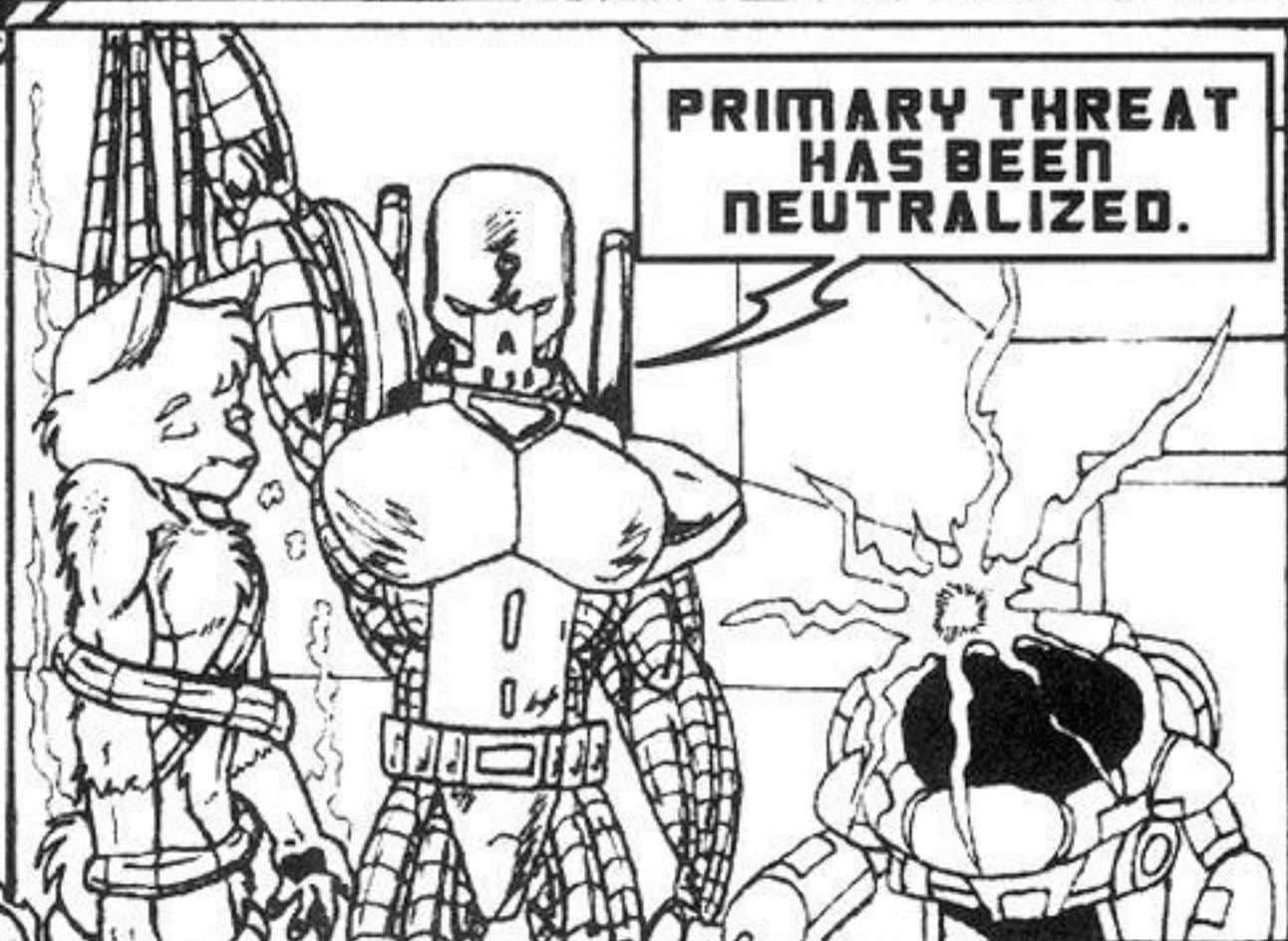
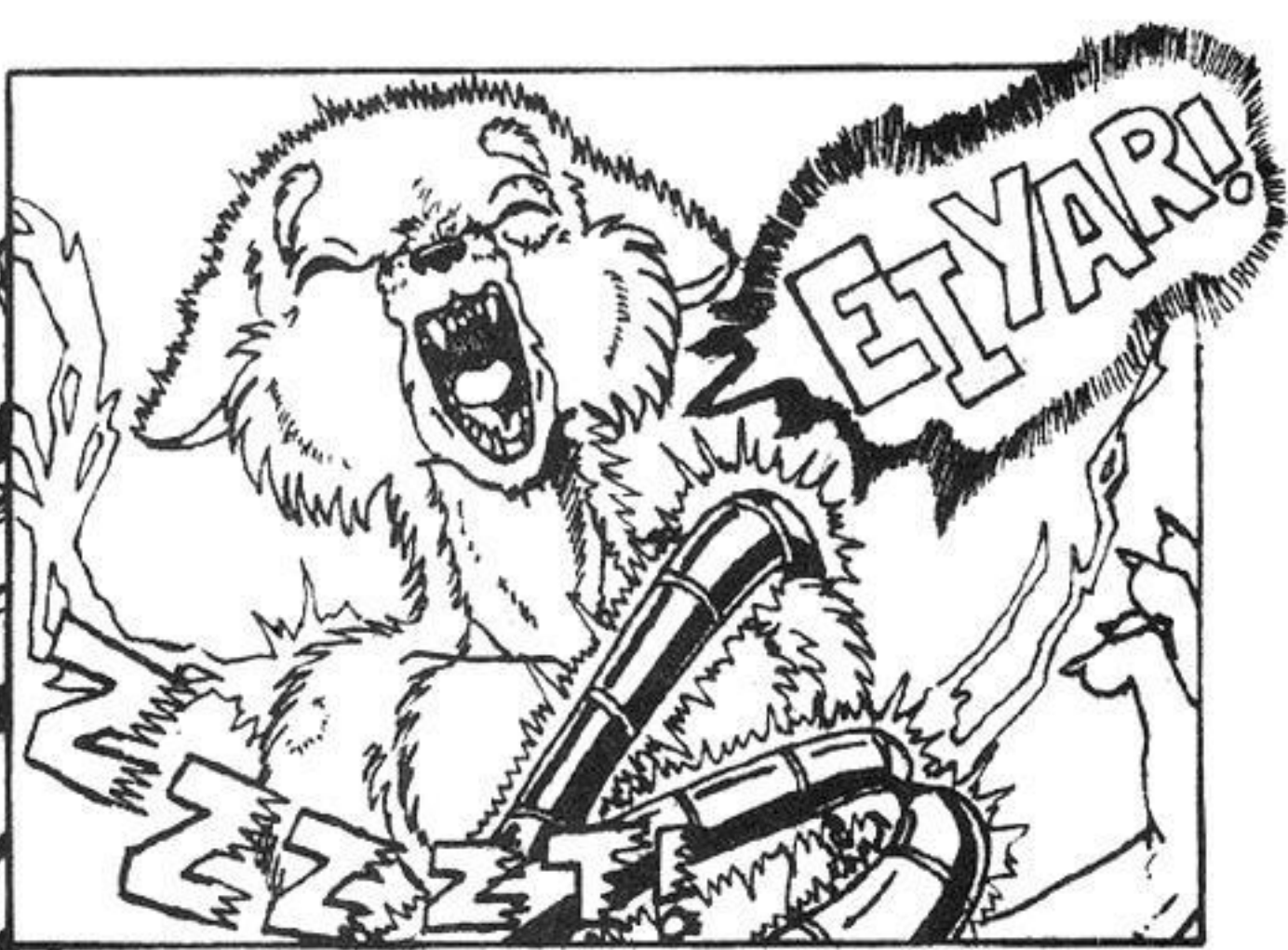
GET OUT OF HERE,
YOU TWO!

I'LL HOLD
HIM OFF
THE BEST
I CAN!

WE CAN'T
LEAVE YOU--
YOU'LL BE
KILLED!

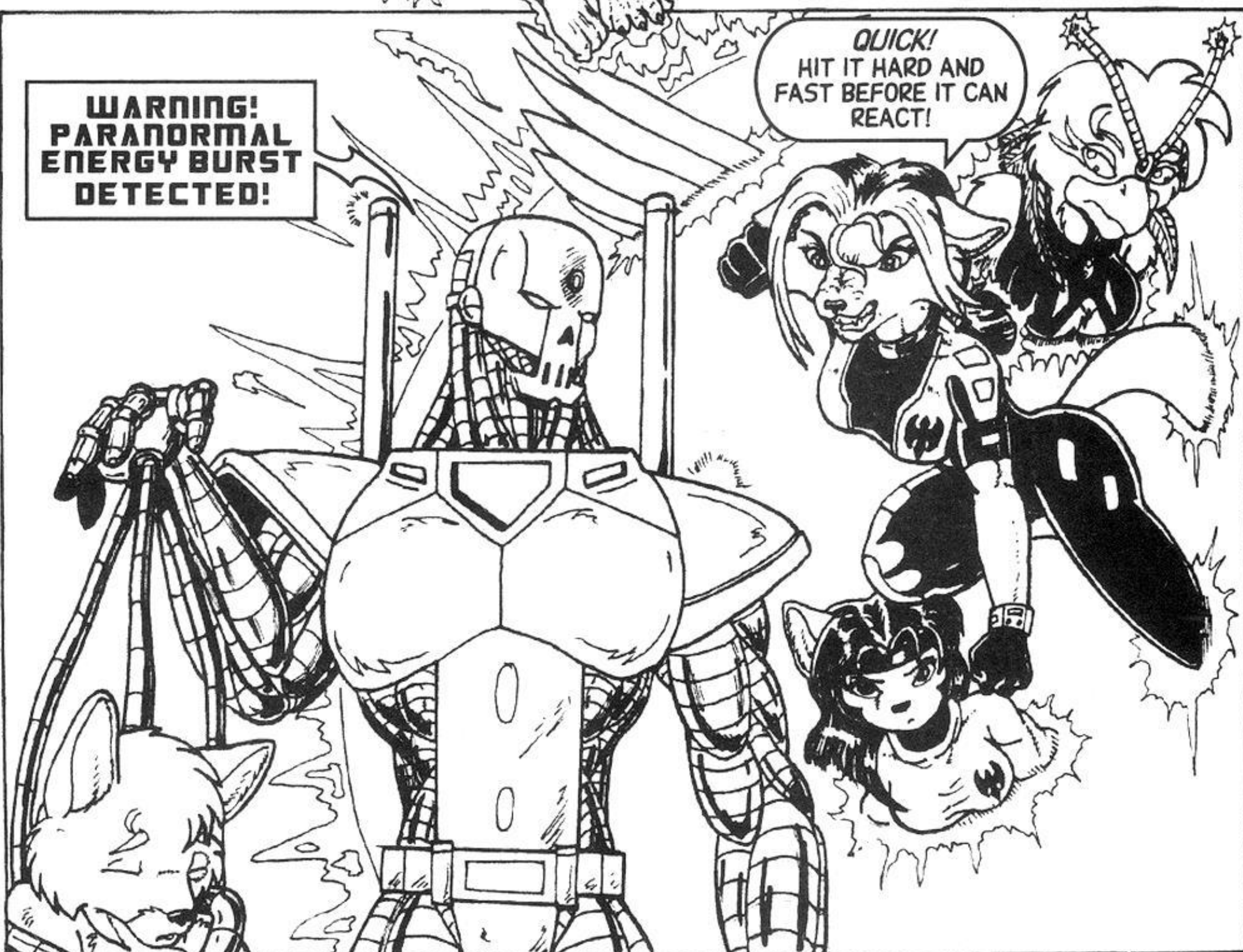
CORRECT. YOUR
PYROTECHNICS
HAVE NO EFFECT
ON MY ARMOR.

ENGAGING
CAPTURE AND
NEUTRALIZATION
MODE.



**WARNING!
PARANORMAL
ENERGY BURST
DETECTED!**

**QUICK!
HIT IT HARD AND
FAST BEFORE IT CAN
REACT!**



TOO LATE.

COUNTERMEASURES
IN PROGRESS.
ENGAGING NEW
THREAT.

OOF!

SLAM!

LOOK OUT!

RED!

HEY, KIT!

OH,
SUGARFUR!
I'M SO
GLAD
YOU'RE
OKAY!

ERK! FOR THE
MOMENT!

SCARLET,
THE ROBOT!

SWITCHING TO
TERMINATION
MODE.

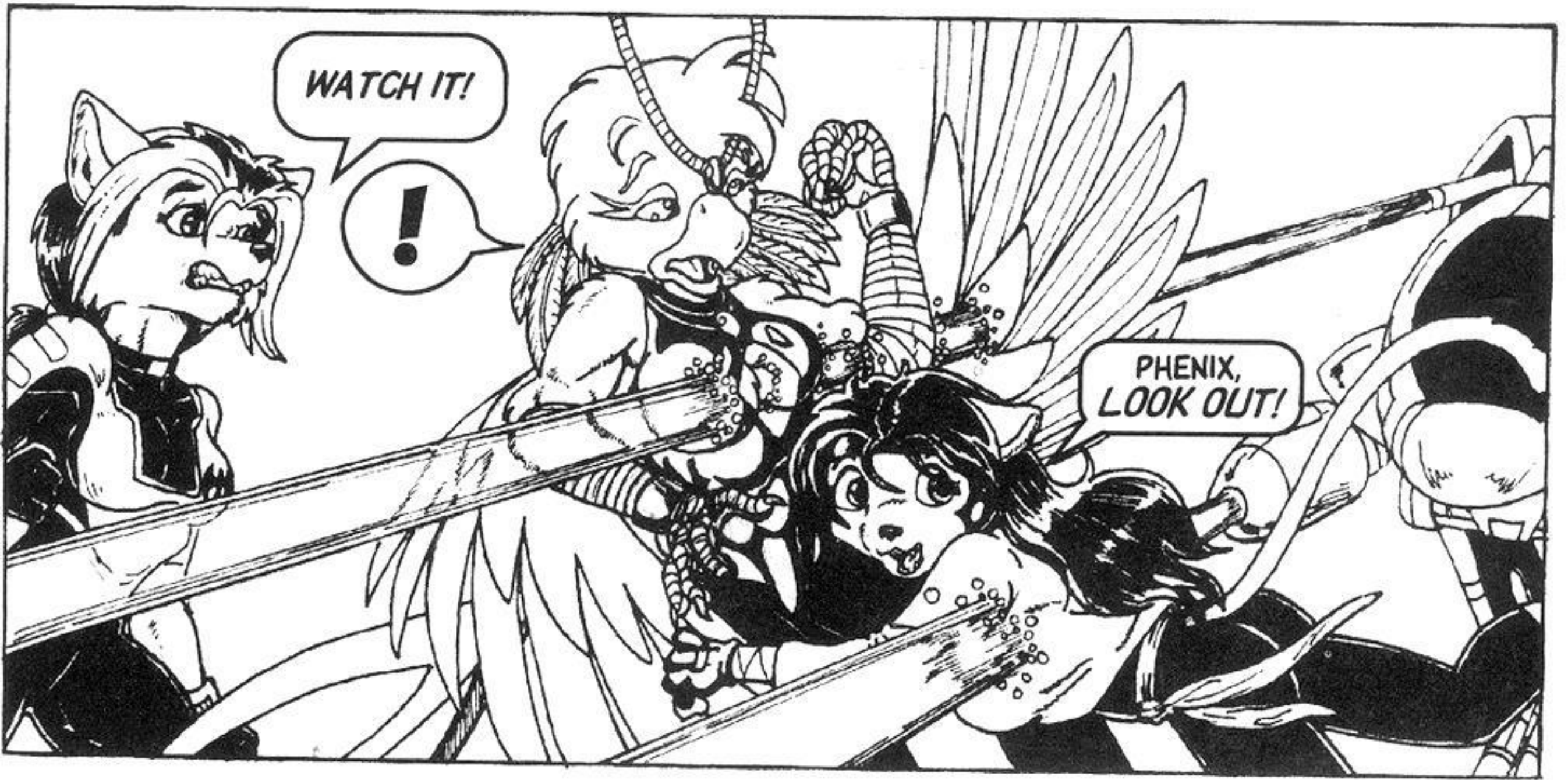
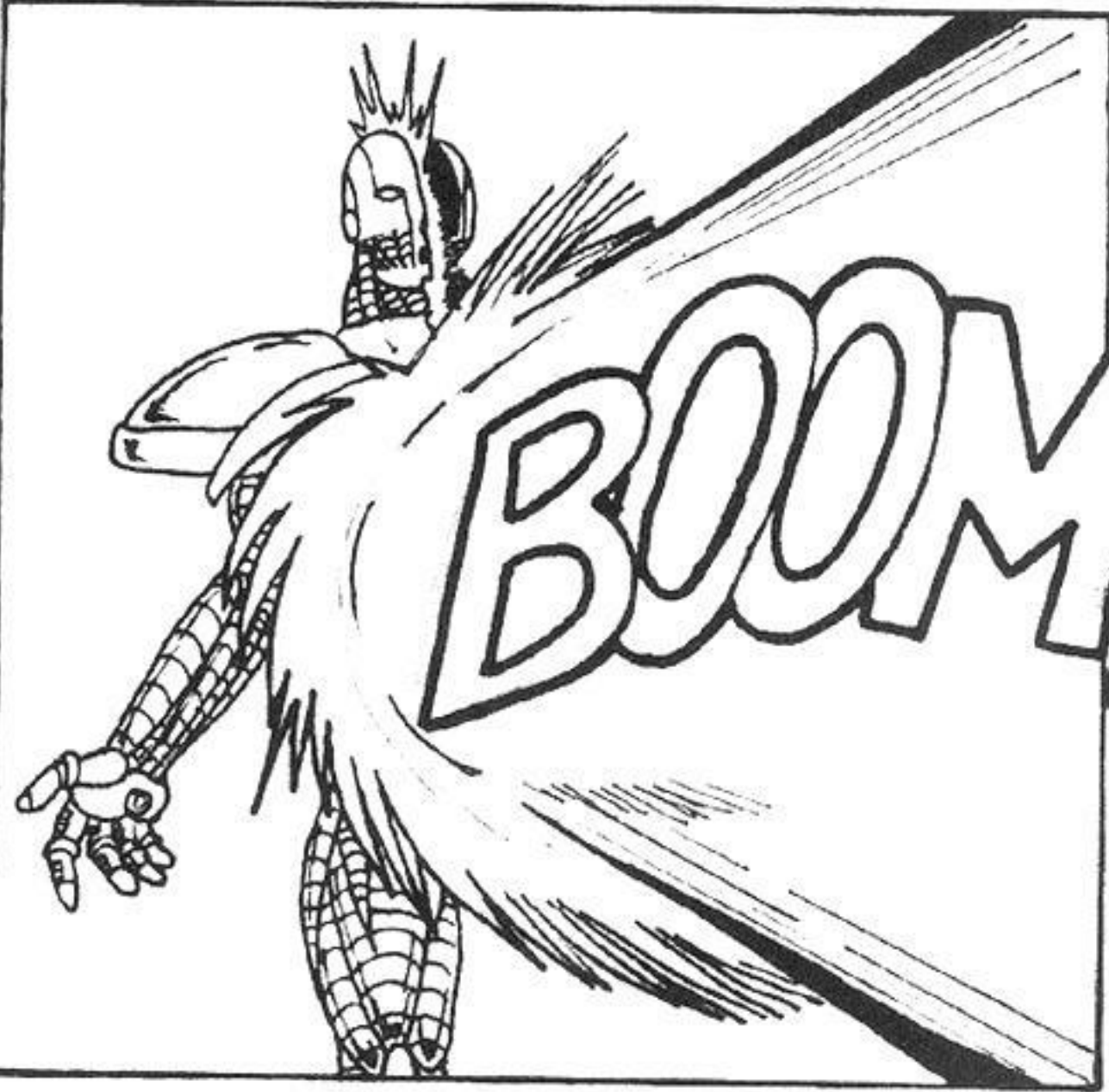
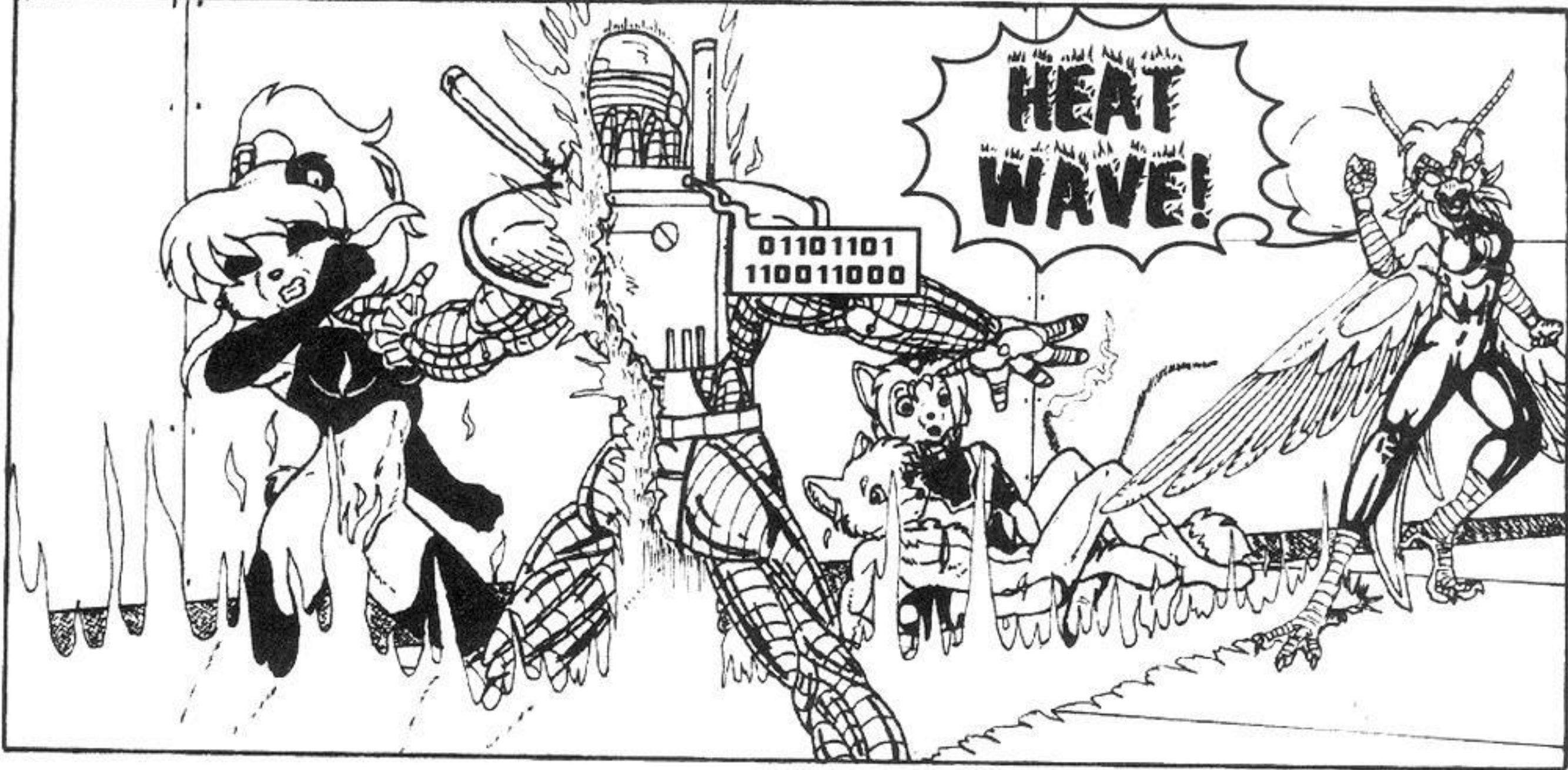
ZAP!

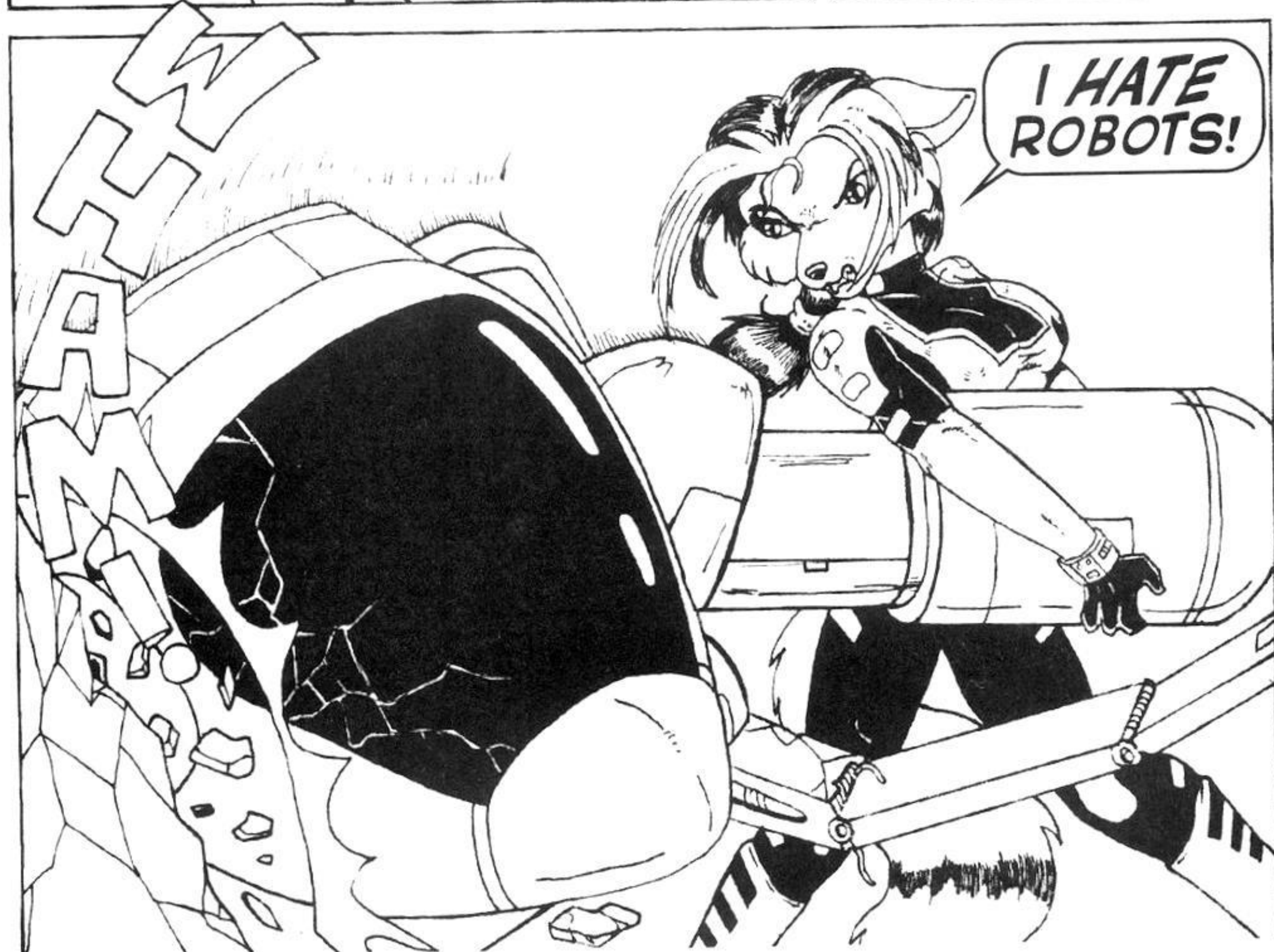
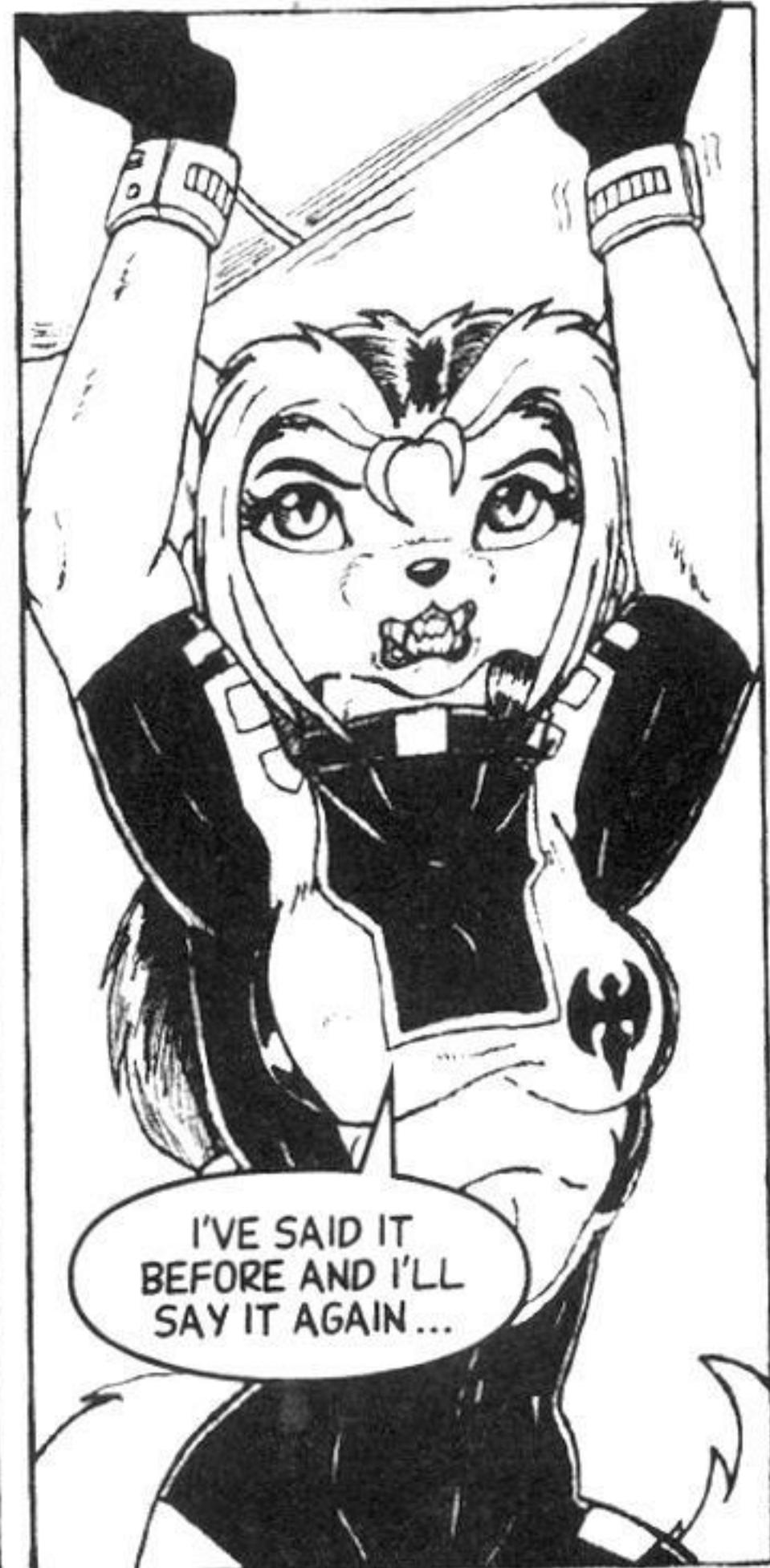
HEY!

WHOA

NO!

SHOVE!











WE CAN TAKE YOU
TO YOUR FRIENDS.

YES, THE
MINDSWIPER ROOM
IS THIS WAY.


PRAY
THEY HAVEN'T
BEGUN THE
PROCESS.



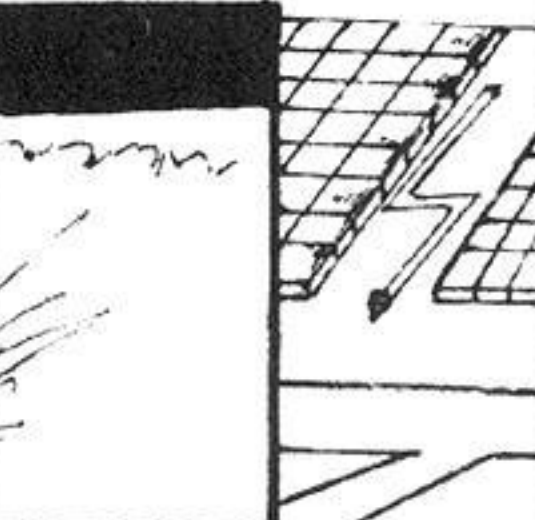
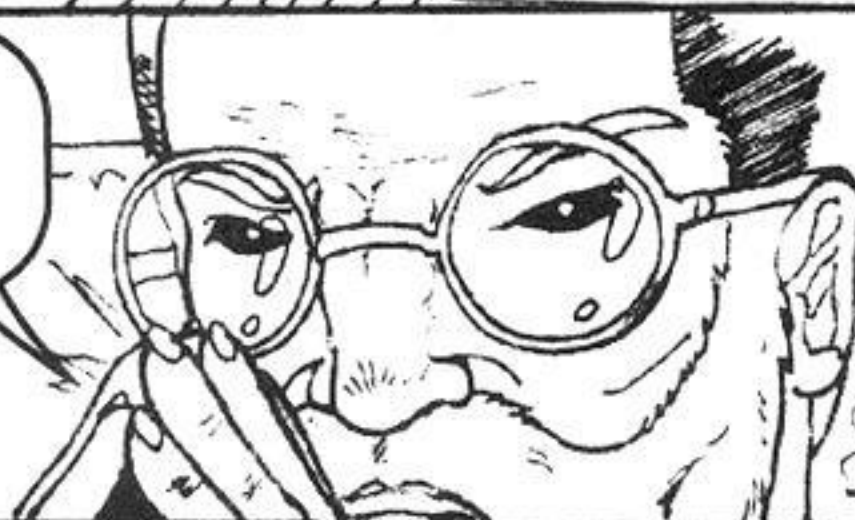
I WANT YOU AND
BLAQUESTRYPE TO TAKE
OUR NEW RECRUITS AND
DEAL WITH THESE
UPSTARTS.



MASTER, DO YOU
WANT WARFARE
TO CAPTURE
ESCAPED
HYBRIDS?



THEY WILL SOON
LEARN THAT NO ONE
DISOBEYS THE
WILL OF MAHN.





BEFORE THE SOLAR FOXES, BEFORE
THE DESTRUCTION OF APOLLEX,
BEFORE THE ROAD TO EXTINCTION,
THERE WAS *SHE* ...



HER NAME IS *PHENIX*. SHE
IS A PHOENOCIAN, A RACE OF
IMMORTALS THAT ROAMS THE
GALAXY ...

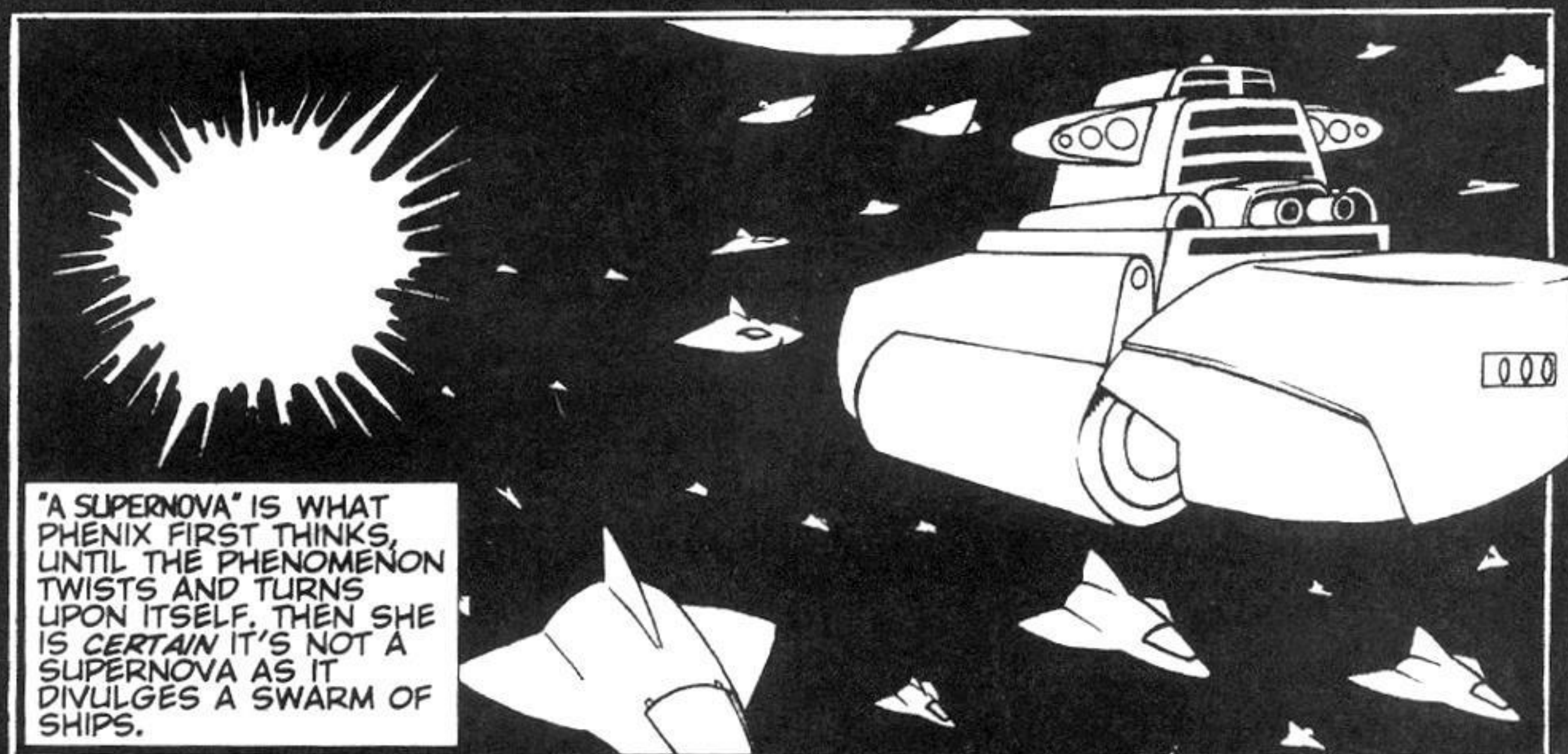


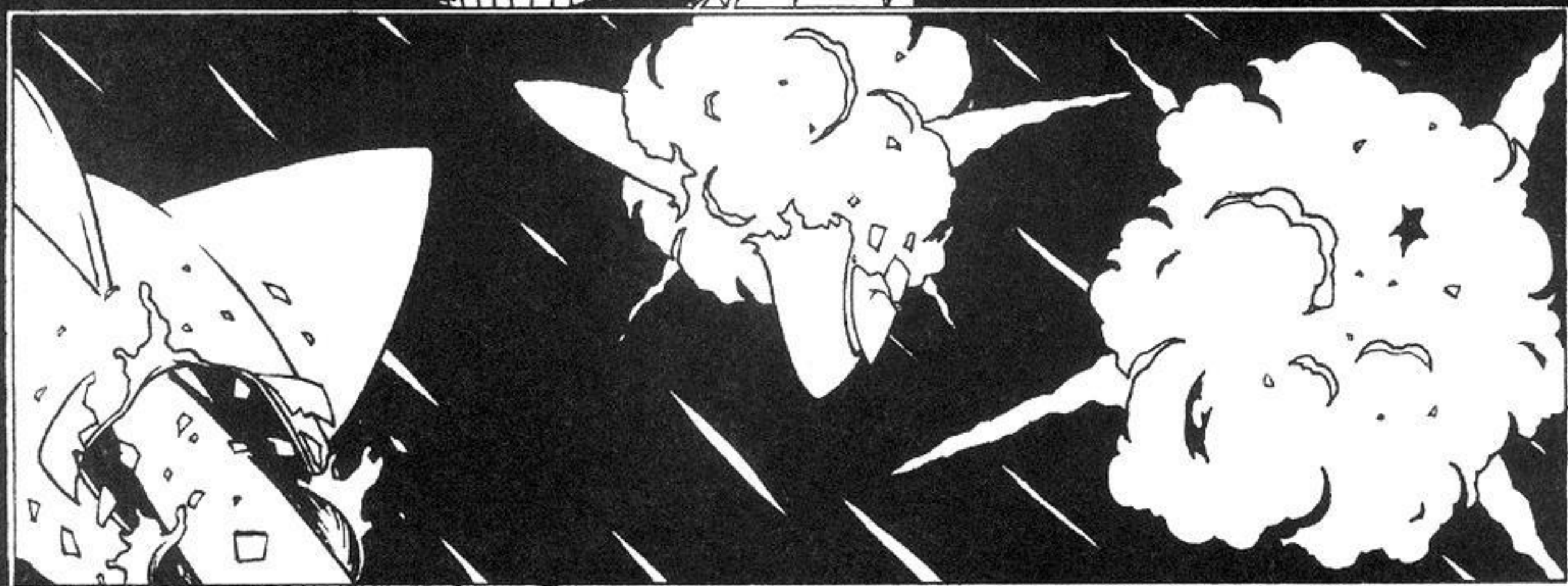
... BUT DESPITE HER RACE'S SPACE-
WANDERING NOTORIETY, THERE IS ONE
THING SHE AND ALL HER KIN ENJOY
EVEN MORE ...

LAYING BACK
AND RELAXING.

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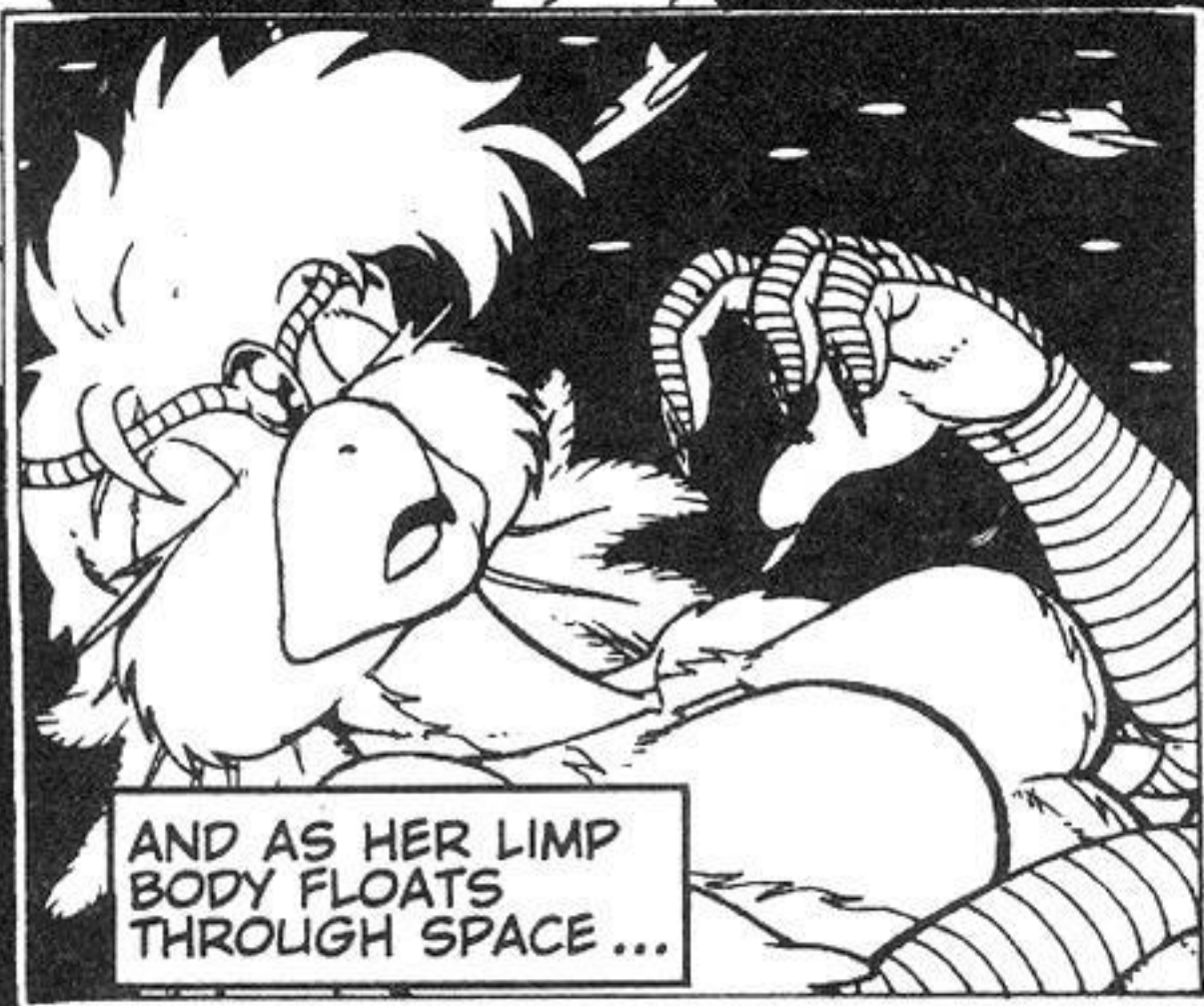
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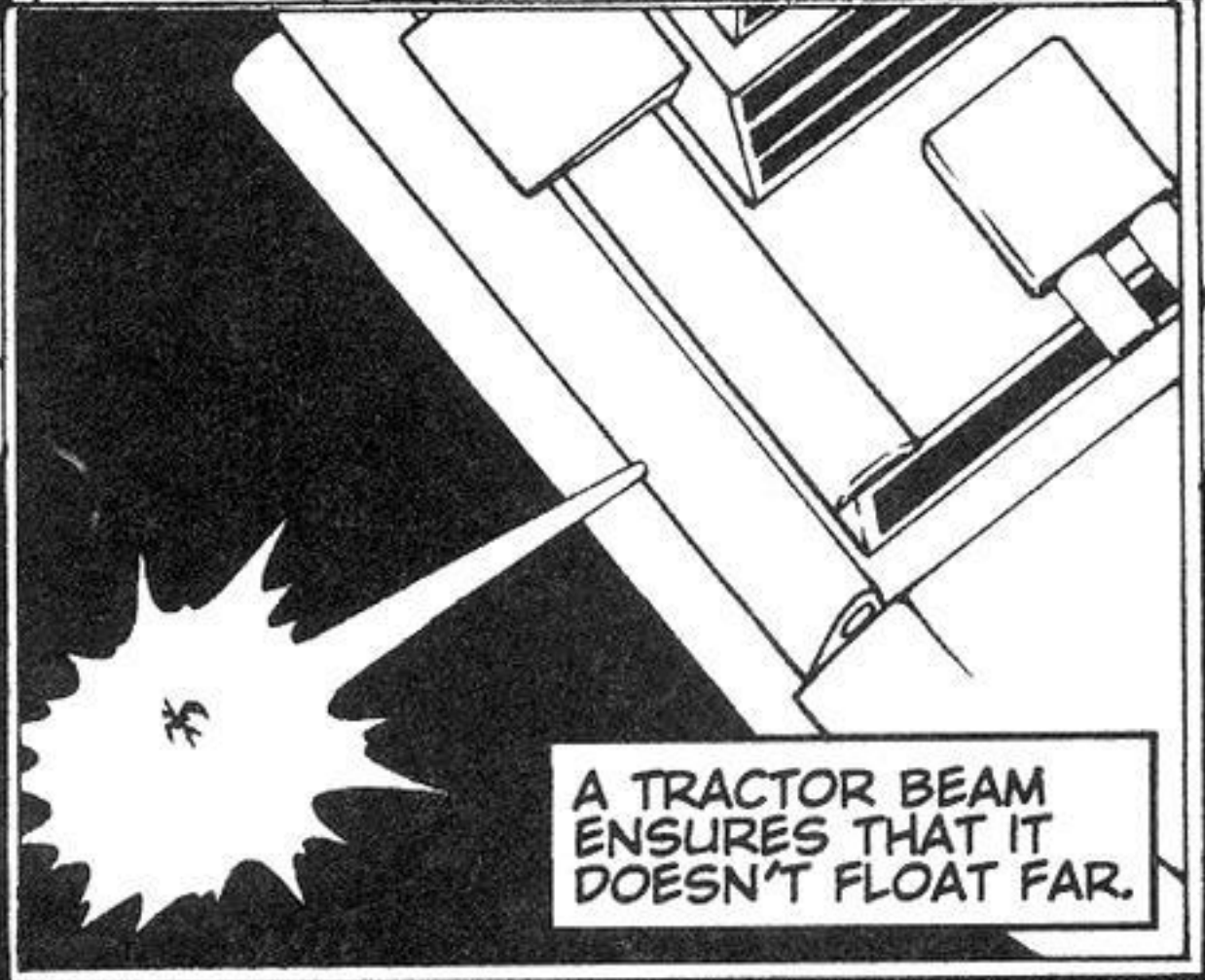




A SILENT SCREAM
BETRAYS HER
AGONY...



AND AS HER LIMP
BODY FLOATS
THROUGH SPACE...



A TRACTOR BEAM
ENSURES THAT IT
DOESN'T FLOAT FAR.



MOST IMPRESSIVE.
YOU UNCONCIOUSLY
SHIFTED YOUR WINGS ONTO
YOUR ARMS. I'M WILLING
TO BET YOU'RE
MORE POWERFUL
THAN EVEN YOU
THINK YOU ARE.



"I HAVE WHAT I CAME HERE FOR ..."

